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VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION

Volunteers play an essential role in the services we can offer to our clients. Their donations of time, goods, and money enhance and expand our youth programs both in the community and in the institutions. Volunteers work in recreation, as teacher's aides, as sponsors, in individual and group activities, in restitution, as interns, and in educational programs. Figures for 1982-83 show that nearly 2,000 volunteers worked a total of 35,828 hours, or an equivalent of 18 and a half years!

Through the coordination of the Director of Volunteer Services, **Yu-Fong Chong**, volunteers were honored during the Annual Volunteer Ceremony in May at the Birchwood Chapel in Columbia. The Honorable Parker Evatt, Wade H. Shealy, Chairman, State Board of Youth Services, and Ms. Suzanne Lewis, Volunteer Services, Office of the Governor, participated in the program. Volunteers nominated for the Governor's Award and recognized during the ceremony: Fred G. Auld, Jr., Columbia; Dr. Gordon M. Kimbrell, Charleston; Theodore Jackson, Jasper County; Ever Ready Sunday School Class, Broad Acres Baptist Church; Robert Preston Smith, Jr., Lexington; J.O.Y. Lay Witness Outreach Group, West Columbia; Mr. and Mrs. Lee Rowley, Easley; Mr. and Mrs. Otis Chastain, Easley; Donna Hammond, Columbia; and Judy Grant, Columbia. Many thanks to all of our volunteers who dedicate their time and themselves to us and to students.



WELLNESS AT WORK

For the past year, Youth Service Employees in Richland and Lexington counties have participated in *Carolina Healthstyle*, the State Employees Wellness Project. Carolina H.S. is a three-year pilot program available to approximately 25,000 state employees in Richland and Lexington County. Hopefully, it will expand state-wide at the end of the three-year project. It has been funded through a grant provided by the State Personnel Division and is a cooperative effort among DHEC, USC, and State Personnel Division.

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JoAnn Stokes, DYS Nurse Practitioner, checks Francenia Davis (Hope House) for high blood pressure during Health Fair.

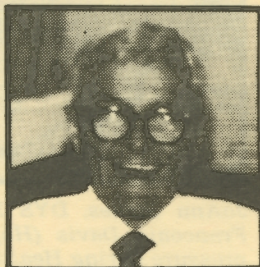
VOLUNTEER FOCUS

At the first Annual Membership Drive Banquet for the Greater Charleston YWCA in May, DYS volunteer, **Linda Ingram**, received a Certificate of Appreciation for her service from the YWCA Board of Directors.

Linda was recruited to teach a class of youth whose first, minor offense was diverted from Charleston County DYS Intake, utilizing a model law-related educational program out of Washington, D.C., entitled *National Street Law Diversion Program*. The program operated for 10 weeks, every Saturday from 10:00 a.m. until noon at the YWCA in downtown Charleston. A number of community resource people volunteered from one to two hours on Saturday morning to augment the classes. Among others, these included **Debbie Rickett**, **Susan Boykin**, and **Diana Vaughn** with DYS.

Linda holds a degree in Criminology and Corrections from Florida State and is currently enrolled in a M.Ed. program at the College of Charleston.

Fred G. Auld, Jr. was our Outstanding Volunteer nominee to the United Way of the Midlands for 1984. Fred has been a volunteer with the Department since his retirement from JP&A in October, 1979. He serves as an arbitrator between juveniles and complainants to divert youth from Family Court when possible. He has contracted for more than \$4,000 in monetary restitution. In 1983, he worked with 201 juveniles in Richland County. While many others have chosen to "go fishing" at age 70, Fred devotes more than 25 hours per week as a volunteer. We are indeed lucky to have him with us.



Fred G. Auld, Jr.

DOUBLE-DUTCH

It's a city street game that grew up with hop-scotch and hide-and-seek. No longer just an urban activity, Double-Dutch is a rope-jumping sport for city, suburban, and rural kids everywhere. All you need are a few friends and adults to work as coaches. With the support of local McDonald's, restaurants, and youth organizations across the country, the American Double-Dutch League brings this challenging skip-rope activity to youngsters through locally organized Double-Dutch Programs. In Region VI, the YWCA of Greater Charleston, local radio stations, and DYS, act as co-sponsors for the Double-Dutch Program. Regional Prevention Specialist, **Diana Vaughn**, is the coordinator and liaison with these groups. Diana says "this is one of the most exciting prevention programs I've had the opportunity to participate in. It addresses youth development; encouraging youth and adults to work together toward positive alternatives."

FAMILY THERAPY

As another service to institutionalized juveniles, a multi-family therapy group has been established on campus and is conducted by **Janet Athey** and **Don Barnett** of Institutional Psychology. This service is an effort to facilitate the student's transition into the community. The group meets weekly and includes the student and parent(s). Issues of parental authority, communication, behavior correction, and contracting are discussed in a supportive manner. The family is assisted in preparing to reunite with their adolescent in the home. Families are encouraged to continue to participate in the meetings for additional support and guidance after their child is discharged. Referrals are welcome and should be sent to Don Barnett (758-6572). Individual family therapy is also available by referral to Institutional Psychology.



Bee Stockdale, Ombudsman, reviews policy and procedures with **Mike Armstrong**, new Assistant Ombudsman. Mike will assist in investigations of alleged child abuse/neglect reports involving DYS clients and employees and participate in other client related services. The Ombudsman's office is located in the SCN Center in Columbia.

"WE OUGHT TO BE IN PICTURES"

And we are...! The Agency slide/tape show is now available in every region, and through the offices of the Director of Volunteers and Public Information. Placement Specialists in each region will coordinate scheduling the show, which was funded through the Jail Removal Initiative Grant.

The slide show is in two parts. The first eight minute segment gives an overview of the Department and the types of programs available. A two minute, optional addendum, is directed toward recruiting emergency foster families to keep kids out of adult jails. It will be a great asset to enhance presentations to civic groups, churches, and schools. The show features many of our own staff and we look great!

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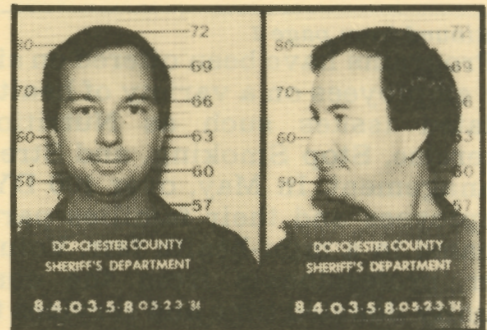
Real People

Charles McKinley Kuhl III, 8 lbs., 10 oz., born April 24 to Chuck and **Nancy Kuhl** (Director of Support Services).

Ms. Betty Brannon, Senior Intake Counselor, Spartanburg, graduated from the Leadership Spartanburg Program in May. Ms. Brannon has been with the Department since November, 1973.



Jim Brewton, Assistant Superintendent of Education, retired June 15, after 13 years with the Department and 32 years service to South Carolina. He plans to devote more time to gardening and woodworking before looking around for a "second career."



Dorchester C.I.C. "Arrested"

On May 23, Dorchester Counselor in Charge, **Jeter "Buddy" Metts**, was arrested by the County Sheriff's Department and charged with disorderly conduct. He was "fined" \$400 in pledges for the American Cancer Society. His arrest was arranged through the courtesy of "friends" at the County Service Building.

CAMP UPDATE

Members from the Community Division of DYS are working out the final "bugs" for Camp Paupi-Win, 1984. The counselors in each county have done an excellent job of raising \$11,809.98 and it looks like there will be more to come (we need \$15,000). The camp will take place at the Clemson Outdoor Laboratory, August 6-10. Counselors are now screening recommended applicants aged 12-15 for the camp. The Planning Committee will have a two-day training program for all camp counselors July 12-13. The training will consist of orientation to the Clemson Outdoor Lab, New Games, and First Aid Training. This year's camp will offer a couple of new twists, including an effort to make this a real community project. Twelve Junior Civitan Volunteers will work as camp counselors. The Planning Committee is to be congratulated for their diligent effort in making this summer camp a reality. Summer camp planning, coupled with normal day-to-day activities, takes a real commitment. **Tommy Oglesby** and **Mike Gannon**, coordinators of this year's camp, welcome any and all help they can get.

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Programs have been offered on site for employees on a variety of health-related issues such as Nutrition, Exercise, Stop Smoking, and Stress Management. In May, over 100 DYS employees and their families participated in a mini-health fair. Volunteer professionals from the community donated time and services to DYS to check hearing, vision, blood pressure, lung capacity, and to perform blood chemistries. A special thanks goes to the H.S. Committee for organizing this event and other programs throughout the year. Health-style members: Dawn Catalano, (liaison), Rhonda Barnes, Earl Pruitt, Kathleen Johnson, Julia Brown, Jim Brewton, Ann Staples, Gloria Stafford, Richard McCants, Andrew Scott, Ernest Stroy and JoAnn Stokes. Remember, your health is up to you.

AFTER HOURS

We don't often get the opportunity to know our fellow employees for the interesting people they are. We actually lead adventurous, fun-loving lives—not only at work but after hours. If you have something interesting to share please send it to the editor. A sampling of what some of us do that you may not have known:

Wade Bishop- Beaufort, acts in two local theatre groups, is an Assistant Director and serves on the Board. He will sing and dance in an "Oklahoma" production in July.

Tommy Oglesby- Region I Director and **Daniel Craft**- Psychologist, can be found canoeing the white water in their spare time.

Gwen Gault- Better known as "The Bird Woman" to Institutional Psychology Staff, has about 15 birds and more on the way! They include finches and cockatiels. She is always looking for good homes...

Larry Stron- Union, has collected snakes since he was five years old. his collection includes cobras, puffadders, and a boa which just gave birth—these take his collection to 16! He raises his own mice and rats to feed them.

Tonja Sanders- Public Safety, is a Board member and volunteer for the Animal Protection League, which provides a shelter for homeless animals. She has been rescuing strays for the past six years.

Beth Johnston- Willow Lane teacher, when not out canoeing and hunting, is involved in Scottish country dancing and East Indian cooking.



Meda Cobb, principal Willow Lane Jr. High, greets Tim Cokley, newly appointed guidance counselor for W.L. Cokley received his B.S. degree from Appalachian State University and his M.Ed. from USC in Student Personnel Services.